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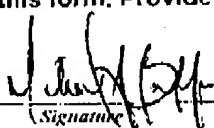
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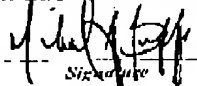
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In Re Application Of: Pal et al.					
Application No. 10/729,628	Filing Date 12/4/2003	Examiner N/A	Customer No. 023445	Group Art Unit 3737	Confirmation No. 1095
Title: FLOATING PROBE FOR ULTRASONIC TRANSDUCERS					
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Applicant(s): Pal et al.					
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Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 and the Claims Listing begins on page 5.

Remarks begin on page 18.